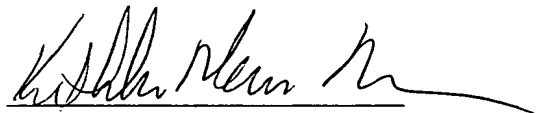


REMARKS

Claim 2 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claim 1 and Claims 1 and 10-18 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. The specification is amended at pages 1 and 4 to indicate the appropriate application numbers. In view of the above amendments and following remarks, favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

If there are any problems with these changes, or any questions regarding the application, Applicants' attorney would appreciate a telephone call. It is believed that these changes make the claims clear and definite.

Respectfully submitted,

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